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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, National Foreign Assessment Center

FROM : [redacted]
NFAC Representative, Publications Review Board (PRB)

SUBJECT : Monthly Report on Publications Review Board Activities
for October 1980

1. During October NFAC reviewed 21 manuscripts, which was considerably more than any month this year except April. In addition, several large manuscripts were still under review when the month ended.

2. Four of the items came from former NFAC employees: an article by former OSR employee [redacted] on serving customers of intelligence; an article by former OPA employee [redacted] on strategies for analytical judgment; and two articles by former OSR employee [redacted] one on Soviet exports of military aircraft and one on the history of Soviet tactical air defense.

3. For the first time, at least as far as I am aware, NFAC submitted a manuscript by a current employee to the full Publications Review Board instead of completing the review and approval within NFAC. The manuscript in question was written by [redacted] who currently works for OGSF but previously worked in the Directorate of Operations. His article concerned business dealings with the Soviets and contained a number of statements on industrial espionage.

4. The PRB has begun to review all unclassified articles, whether written by current or former employees, submitted to Studies in Intelligence. Previously, because nobody was responsible for reviewing these articles for classification, a number of classified statements were released through FOIA and other means. In some cases former employees have considered publication in Studies as approval that the articles were in fact unclassified and have then submitted them for publication outside the Agency.



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